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Dear Sir:

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UNDER 37 CFR §1.97(b)

Pursuant to 37 CFR §§1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the filing date of the above-referenced application.

Copies of the listed foreign patent documents are submitted herewith along with Form PTO-1449. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider all of the listed documents and evidence that consideration by making appropriate notations on the attached form. English translations of the non-English documents are enclosed.

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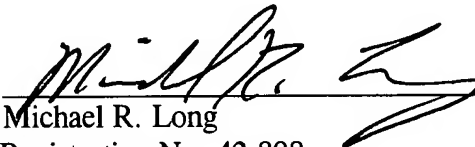
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